

COMMUNICATION SATELLITES

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Continued hearings on communication satellites, and heard testimony from Fred C. Alexander, Deputy Assistant Director, Telecommunications, Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization; and Edward R. Murrow, Director, U.S. Information Agency. Hearings continue Monday, July 17.

TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of the President's tax message. No an-

nouncements were made, and the committee will continue on this subject, Monday, July 17, in executive session.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 7444, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, and related agencies.

Monday, July 17, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 38 bills on calendar call.
House passed 23 miscellaneous bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2258-2266; and S.J. Res. 118.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1412, authorizing the Administrator of GSA to convey certain land in Arkansas to the city of Fayetteville, with amendments (S. Rept. 546);

S. 705, 1347, and 1443, private (S. Repts. 547-549);

S. 935, to provide relief for certain members of the U.S. Army National Guard and Air National Guard (S. Rept. 550);

H.R. 1336, 1379, 1383, 1390, 1391, 1486, 1499, 1699, 1704, 1706, 1891, 1903, 2354, 2674, 2750, private bills (S. Repts. 551-565, respectively); and

S. 1643, proposed Agricultural Act of 1961, with amendment (S. Rept. 566).

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Calendar Call: On call of calendar, 38 measures, of which 16 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Cumberland Gap: H.R. 5548, authorizing the acquisition of approximately 9 acres of land for addition to Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Ky. (after Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from its further consideration);

Members' office equipment: H.J. Res. 392, relating to the furnishing of office equipment to Members of the House of Representatives;

Taxation: H.R. 929, to permit prepaid dues income of certain membership organizations to be included in gross income for taxable years to which the dues relate;

Government annuities: H.R. 5432, to make permanent certain increases in civil service annuities; and

Private bills: H.R. 1353, 1477, 1620, 1626, 1911, 1915, 2360, and 4557.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Commodity Credit: S. 763, authorizing funds to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net losses incurred;

National cemeteries: S. 1492, amending the law to delete requirement that superintendents of national cemeteries must be selected from veterans who were disabled in active field service;

Battlefield Park: S. 1775, authorizing the acquisition of approximately 12 acres of land for the Richmond National Battlefield Park, Va.; and

Private bills: S. 1305, 1527, and 1716.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Federal employees insurance: S. 1070, to provide additional group life insurance for Federal employees; and

Private bills: S. 333, 1088, 1054, and 1205.

Concurrent resolutions adopted without amendment:

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association: S. Con. Res. 29, authorizing attendance of delegations from the Senate and House at meeting of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association;

Printing: H. Con. Res. 308, to print additional copies of hearings entitled "Communist Training Opera-

tions—Communist Activities and Propaganda Among Youth Groups”;

Printing: H. Con. Res. 309, to print additional copies of hearings entitled “The Northern California District of the Communist Party—Structure—Objectives—Leadership”;

Printing: H. Con. Res. 320, authorizing printing as a House document inaugural addresses of the Presidents;

Printing: H. Con. Res. 327, to print additional copies of H. Doc. 198, 84th Congress, entitled “The Commission on Intergovernmental Relations”; and

Private resolution: S. Con. Res. 31.

Concurrent resolutions adopted with amendment:

Printing: H. Con. Res. 311, to print additional copies of H. Doc. 336, 86th Congress, entitled “Facts on Communism—Volume I, The Communist Ideology”; and

Printing: H. Con. Res. 342, authorizing printing as a House document the tributes extended to Speaker Sam Rayburn.

Simple resolutions adopted without amendment:

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association: S. Res. 168, authorizing attendance of a delegation from the Senate at a meeting of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association;

Printing: S. Res. 169, to print as a Senate document a committee print of a “Study Mission to Eastern (American) Samoa”;

Appointment of Senators: S. Res. 170, suggesting suitable forms for certificates of appointment or election of Senators;

Gratuities: S. Res. 176 and 177, authorizing payment of gratuities to survivors of Senate employees; and

Senator Tower: S. Res. 178, establishing date of commencement of service of term of Senator Tower.

Simple resolution adopted with amendment:

Printing: S. Res. 165, to print as a Senate document “The Constitution of the United States of America, approved by the Continental Congress.”

Bill indefinitely postponed:

S. 1018.

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Postal Pay: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 1459, to adjust longevity step increases for postal employees. Motion to reconsider this action was tabled.

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Veterans' Disability: H.R. 879, to increase rates of compensation for service-connected disabled veterans, was passed with committee amendments. Motion to reconsider passage of the bill was tabled.

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Fresno River Basin—Mississippi River: Letters from the Secretary of the Army transmitting reports from Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army, together with accompanying papers and illustration, on review of Fresno

River Basin, Calif., and on the Mississippi River, Baton Rouge to the Gulf of Mexico, Louisiana, were ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 37 and 36, respectively.

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Motor Carriers: Senate passed S. 320, concerning registration of State certificates whereby a motor common carrier may engage in interstate and foreign commerce within a State, after adopting Kuchel amendment to make the effective date of the legislation December 31, 1961, instead of April 1, 1961.

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AEC Authorizations: Senate took up S. 2043, authorizing funds for the Atomic Energy Commission for fiscal year 1962.

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the following nominations: Three civilian; two judicial; one Navy; and numerous Air Force.

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Nominations: 36 nominations in the rank of admiral were received.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee resumed its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for military construction, with testimony in behalf of funds for his department from Brig. Gen. Robert H. Curtin, Deputy Director for Construction, Air Force, who was accompanied by his associates.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

APPROPRIATIONS—RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for power marketing agencies, Department of the Interior, with testimony from Representatives Baldwin, McFall, and Gubser; Charles F. Luce, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration; Douglas G. Wright, Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration; and Charles W. Leavy, Administrator, Southeastern Power Administration.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with testimony from officials of the Bureau of Reclamation.

CAPEHART MILITARY HOUSING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee resumed hearings in regard to the acquisition of certain Philadelphia land for Capehart housing facilities for the Navy, with further testimony from Mayor Richardson Dilworth, of Philadelphia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

DISCLOSURE OF FINANCE CHARGES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization began hearings on S. 1740, to require disclosure of finance charges in connec-

tion with extensions of credit, receiving testimony from Dr. James Tobin, member, Council of Economic Advisers; Hillel Black, author of "Buy Now, Pay Later"; and Capt. Ralph B. Terrill, president, and Ferdinand J. Schiavi, assistant treasurer, both of the Navy Federal Credit Union.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

STEAMSHIP CONFERENCES

Committee on Commerce: Committee resumed its hearings on H.R. 6775, to provide for the operation of steamship conferences, with testimony from George Yamaka, representing 11 Japanese lines operating between the U.S. and Japan; and M. C. Kieft, representing the Netherlands shipping industry.

Hearings continue on Thursday, July 20.

SUPPLEMENTAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee, in executive session, approved for full committee consideration with amendments S. 1969, to amend the Federal Aviation Act so as to provide for a class of supplemental air carriers.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee resumed its executive consideration of S. 1983, proposed foreign aid authorizations bill, but did not conclude action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NLRB, AND LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, ordered reported unfavorably S. Res. 158, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 5 of 1961, dealing with the National Labor Relations Board. The effect of this action is committee approval of plan No. 5.

Committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1412, authorizing the Administrator of GSA to convey certain land in Arkansas to the city of Fayetteville.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. 2032, consenting to the amendment of the compact between Pennsylvania and Ohio relating to Pymatuning Lake; S.J. Res. 49, providing for the establishment of an annual Youth Appreciation Week; S. 935, to provide relief for certain members of the U.S. Army National Guard and Air National Guard; the nomination of Doyle W. Foreman, to be U.S. marshal for the northern district of Oklahoma; and Leonard T. Hectathorn, to be U.S. marshal for the district of South Dakota; 12 private immigration bills (S. 1347, H.R. 1336, 1383, 1390, 1391, 1486, 1499, 1699, 1704, 1706, 1903, and 2674); and 7 private claims bills (S. 705, 1443, H.R. 1891, 2354, 1379, 2750, and 2086).

The committee granted 24 hours within which all members may record their votes on the nominations of Erwin N. Griswold, of Massachusetts, and Spottswood W. Robinson III, of the D.C., to be members, and Berl I. Bernhard, of Maryland, to be staff director, all of the Commission on Civil Rights.

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on five private immigration bills (S. 42, 222, 272, 312, and 728); and six private claims bills (H.R. 1338, 1531, 2686, 5457, S. 2136, and H.R. 1478—postponement reaffirmed).

Committee authorized the chairman to request the Senate to discharge the Committee on Government Operations from the further consideration of S. 2189, proposed Federal Administrative Practice Act, and that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: The Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met in executive session to consider several pending bills relating to Federal elections (S. 1555, 227, 1623, 604, 2080, and S. Res. 141), but took no final actions thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, July 19.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 8176-8191; 14 private bills, H.R. 8192-8205; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 482-486, H. Con. Res. 350, and H. Res. 372, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Immigration Aspects of the International Exchange Program" (H. Rept. 721);

H.R. 6690, to provide for the inclusion of a district judge on the judicial council of each circuit (H. Rept. 722);

H.R. 7856, to facilitate the prompt and orderly conduct of the business of the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 723);

H.R. 8141, to revise the laws relating to depository libraries (H. Rept. 724);

H.R. 641, to permit free entry of intermediate lens beta-ray spectrometer for Tulane University, amended (H. Rept. 725); and

Conference report on H.R. 7444, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 (H. Rept. 726).

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Civil War Centennial Commission: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representative Smith of Mississippi to membership on the Civil War Centennial Commission to fill an existing vacancy.

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Wheat Referendum: By a voice vote the House adopted S.J. Res. 116, to extend to August 26, 1961, the time for conducting the referendum with respect to the national marketing quota for wheat for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1962, and thus cleared the legislation for the President.

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NASA Authorizations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H.R. 6874, fiscal 1962 authorizations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Brooks of Louisiana, George P. Miller, Teague of Texas, Anfuso, Martin of Massachusetts, Fulton, and Chenoweth.

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Grape and plum standards: S. 1462 (in lieu of H.R. 6253), amendment to Grape and Plum Export Act re establishment of minimum standards of quality.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Armed Forces Museum: H.R. 4659, to establish a National Armed Forces Museum Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Institution.

Armed services retirement: H.R. 6597, to permit the crediting of certain minority service for the purpose of determining eligibility for retirement from Armed services.

Puerto Rico: H.R. 7038, to eliminate the right of appeal from the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico to the Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Medical officers: H.R. 7722, to provide that commissioned officers of the Medical Service Corps may exercise command outside the Army Medical Service when directed by proper authority.

Federal Facilities Corporation: H.R. 7864, to dissolve the Federal Facilities Corporation.

Deceased military dependents: H.R. 7935, relating to preparation and transportation of certain deceased dependents of military personnel.

Land-grant colleges centennial: H.J. Res. 436, relative to centennial of the establishment of the national system of land-grant universities and colleges.

Sent to the Senate amended:

Indians: S. 507 (in lieu of H.R. 4945), setting aside certain lands in Washington for Indians of the Quinault Tribe.

Flood control: S. 650 (in lieu of H.R. 3462), to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to permit certain new organizations to sponsor works of improvement thereunder.

Library of Congress collections: S. 1644, providing for indexing and microfilming of certain records of the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church in Alaska in the collections of the Library of Congress.

U.S. Judicial Conference: H.R. 176, providing representation for the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals on the Judicial Conference of the United States.

Pennsylvania battlefield site: H.R. 498, to provide additional lands at, and change the name of the Fort Necessity National Battlefield site, Pa.

Texas historic fort: H.R. 566, establishing a national historic site at Fort Davis, Jeff Davis County, Tex.

Massachusetts light station sale: H.R. 1452, to authorize the sale of a portion of the former light station property in Scituate, Mass.

GAO employees: H.R. 6007, to amend the Classification Act of 1949 with respect to certain positions in the General Accounting Office.

Puerto Rico: H.R. 6902, relating to tenure for judges of the U.S. District Court of Puerto Rico.

Federal employee reductions: H.R. 7043, salary protection for classified and postal field service employees in certain cases involving reductions in salary standing.

Eligible bills not considered:

Passed over without prejudice: S. 539, H.R. 2555, 4473, 6691, 7724, and H.J. Res. 435.

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Pennsylvania-Ohio Compact: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request the following bill was called up and passed: H.R. 7454, giving congressional consent to the amendment of the compact between the States of Pennsylvania and Ohio relating to Pymatuning Lake.

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Suspension Passages: Considered and passed the following bills under suspension of the rules:

Secret Service protection: H.R. 6691, to amend U.S. Code to provide penalties for threats against the successors to the Presidency and to authorize their protection by the Secret Service (by a voice vote).

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Agriculture Department Centennial: H.J. Res. 435, to provide for observance of the centennial of the establishment of the Department of Agriculture (by a record vote of 367 yeas to 12 nays).

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Evacuated Federal employees: H.R. 2555, to provide for allotment and advancement of pay to U.S. civilian employees in emergency evacuations, amended (by a record vote of 285 yeas to 87 nays).

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Bills Referred: Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GENERAL FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session to consider the second committee print of the general farm bill. The committee will continue on this bill, in executive session, Tuesday, July 18.

D.C. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee No. 5 held a hearing on H.R. 6844, D.C. Workmen's Compensation bill. Heard testimony from an Assistant Corporation Counsel; Washington Board of Trade; D.C. Hotel Association; Merchants & Manufacturers Association; D.C. Restaurant Association; Greater Washington Central Labor Council; and Washington Automobile Dealers Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Education and Labor: Special Subcommittee on Education held a hearing on H.R. 7178, relating to the prevention and control of juvenile delinquency, and youth offenses. Heard testimony from public witnesses. Hearings continue Tuesday, July 18.

WELFARE—PENSIONS

Committee on Education and Labor: Special Subcommittee on Labor met in executive session on H.R. 7234, to amend the Welfare and Pension Plans Disclosure Act. No final action was taken.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to continue markup of H.R. 7372, to promote the foreign policy, security, and general welfare of the U.S. by assisting peoples of the world in their efforts toward economic and social development and internal and ex-

ternal security. The committee will continue, on this subject, in executive session, Tuesday, July 18.

SALINE WATER CONVERSION PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard testimony from Stewart Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and other Interior Department witnesses on H.R. 7916, to expand and extend the saline water conversion program. Hearings continue Tuesday, July 18.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 took testimony and acted on several private immigration bills.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT ACT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 5989, relating to the method of computing interest earnings of special Treasury issues held by the civil service retirement and disability fund, to provide for permanent indefinite appropriation to said fund. Heard testimony from John W. Macy, Jr., Chairman, Civil Service Commission; and employee group representatives.

COMMUNICATION SATELLITES

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Concluded hearings on communication satellites, and heard testimony from John Rubel, Deputy Director, Research and Engineering, Department of Defense; and Philip J. Farley, Special Assistant to the Secretary for Atomic Energy and Outer Space, Department of State.

TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of the President's tax message. No announcements were made, and the committee will continue on this subject, Tuesday, July 18, in executive session.

Tuesday, July 18, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Agriculture appropriation bill for President.
Senate passed AEC authorization bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 12 bills were introduced, as follows:
S. 2267-2278.

Pages 12808-12809

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.J. Res. 463, extending through June 30, 1962, the life of the U.S. Citizens Commission on NATO (S. Rept. 567);